

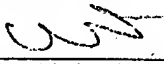
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REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Farr et al.
Serial No.: 10/081,483
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For: Effervescent Beverage Product
Group: 1761
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

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Sir:

The following reply is responsive to the Office Action mailed November 2, 2004. Claims 1-19 were originally filed, claim 2 has been cancelled, and therefore, claims 1 and 3-19 are the claims which remain pending for prosecution on the merits. Reexamination and reconsideration of the subject application are respectfully requested.

Also, enclosed herewith is a Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals and Patent Interferences as well as an extension of time to extend the period of responding to March 2, 2005.

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Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.